

# **CONTINUING (1.53(b)) UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

(Only for continuing applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 1134.1271-DIV/DMP

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Title: AUTOFOCUS APPARATUS

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form
2. ☒ Specification, Claims & Abstract ..... [ Total Pages: 219 ]
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) ..... [ Total Sheets: 36 (Figs. 1-51) ]
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration ..... [ Total Pages: 2 ]
  - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (see Box 18)
5. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior nonprovisional application.
  - a. ☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
  - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
6. ☒ Incorporation by Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
7. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
  - b. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
  - c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) [ ] Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Foreign priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119 is claimed.
  - a. ☒ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) filed in prior application No. 08/834,926.
  - b. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) enclosed.
  - c. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) to follow.
13. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 [ ] Copies of IDS Citations
14. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
  - a. ☐ enclosed herewith.
  - b. ☒ incorporated herein (see Box 18).
15. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
16. ☐ Small Entity Statement(s) [ ] Statement filed in prior application, status still proper and desired.
17. ☐ Other:

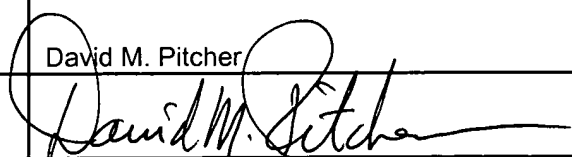
**18. CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below:[ ] Continuation [X] Divisional [ ] Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No: 08/834,926Prior application information: Examiner: Mitchell WhiteGroup/Art Unit: 2712

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**Preliminary Amendment:**[X] Cancel in this application original claims 1-42 and 49-54 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

[X] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This application is a Divisional of application number 08/834,926, filed April 7, 1997, now abandoned.--**19. NEW CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS \* CUSTOMER NO. 21,171**STAAS & HALSEY LLP  
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# NEW APPLICATION FEE TRANSMITTAL

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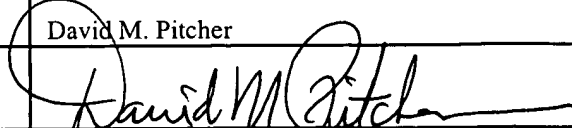
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